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"AN ACT CONCERNING ADDENDUMS TO CONTRACTS BETWEEN THE STATE AND ANY MUNICIPALITY IN WHICH A CORRECTIONAL FACILITY IS LOCATED."

- After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and internal references accordingly:
- "Sec. 501. Section 21a-267 of the 2012 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2012*):
- 6 (a) No person shall use or possess with intent to use drug 7 paraphernalia, as defined in subdivision (20) of section 21a-240, to 8 plant, propagate, cultivate, grow, harvest, manufacture, compound, 9 convert, produce, process, prepare, test, analyze, pack, repack, store, 10 contain or conceal, or to ingest, inhale or otherwise introduce into the
- 11 human body, any controlled substance, as defined in subdivision (9) of
- section 21a-240, other than a cannabis-type substance in a quantity of
- 13 less than one-half ounce. Any person who violates any provision of
- 14 this subsection shall be guilty of a class C misdemeanor.

(b) No person shall deliver, possess with intent to deliver or manufacture with intent to deliver drug paraphernalia knowing, or under circumstances where one reasonably should know, that it will be used to plant, propagate, cultivate, grow, harvest, manufacture, compound, convert, produce, process, prepare, test, analyze, pack, repack, store, contain or conceal, or to ingest, inhale or otherwise introduce into the human body, any controlled substance, other than a cannabis-type substance in a quantity of less than one-half ounce. Any person who violates any provision of this subsection shall be guilty of a class A misdemeanor.

- (c) Any person who violates subsection (a) or (b) of this section in or on, or within one thousand five hundred feet of, the real property comprising a public or private elementary or secondary school <u>during regular school hours or the hours of any school-sponsored activity conducted on such property where students are present and who is not enrolled as a student in such school shall be imprisoned for a term of one year, which shall not be suspended and shall be in addition and consecutive to any term of imprisonment imposed for violation of subsection (a) or (b) of this section.</u>
- (d) No person shall (1) use or possess with intent to use drug paraphernalia plant, to propagate, cultivate, grow, harvest, manufacture, compound, convert, produce, process, prepare, test, analyze, pack, repack, store, contain or conceal, or to ingest, inhale or otherwise introduce into the human body, less than one-half ounce of a cannabis-type substance, or (2) deliver, possess with intent to deliver or manufacture with intent to deliver drug paraphernalia knowing, or under circumstances where one reasonably should know, that it will be used to plant, propagate, cultivate, grow, harvest, manufacture, compound, convert, produce, process, prepare, test, analyze, pack, repack, store, contain or conceal, or to ingest, inhale or otherwise introduce into the human body, less than one-half ounce of a cannabistype substance. Any person who violates any provision of this subsection shall have committed an infraction.

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(e) The provisions of subsection (a) of this section shall not apply to any person (1) who in good faith, seeks medical assistance for another person who such person reasonably believes is experiencing an overdose from the ingestion, inhalation or injection of intoxicating liquor or any drug or substance, (2) for whom another person, in good faith, seeks medical assistance, reasonably believing such person is experiencing an overdose from the ingestion, inhalation or injection of intoxicating liquor or any drug or substance, or (3) who reasonably believes he or she is experiencing an overdose from the ingestion, inhalation or injection of intoxicating liquor or any drug or substance and, in good faith, seeks medical assistance for himself or herself, if evidence of the use or possession of drug paraphernalia in violation of said subsection was obtained as a result of the seeking of such medical assistance. For the purposes of this subsection, "good faith" does not include seeking medical assistance during the course of the execution of an arrest warrant or search warrant or a lawful search.

- Sec. 2. Section 21a-278a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2012*):
- (a) Any person eighteen years of age or older who violates section 21a-277 or 21a-278, and who is not, at the time of such action, a drug-dependent person, by distributing, selling, prescribing, dispensing, offering, giving or administering any controlled substance to another person who is under eighteen years of age and is at least two years younger than such person who is in violation of section 21a-277 or 21a-278, shall be imprisoned for a term of two years, which shall not be suspended and shall be in addition and consecutive to any term of imprisonment imposed for violation of section 21a-277 or 21a-278.
- (b) Any person who violates section 21a-277 or 21a-278 by manufacturing, distributing, selling, prescribing, dispensing, compounding, transporting with the intent to sell or dispense, possessing with the intent to sell or dispense, offering, giving or administering to another person any controlled substance in or on, or within one thousand five hundred feet of, the real property comprising

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81 (1) a public or private elementary or secondary school [,] during 82 regular school hours or the hours of any school-sponsored activity 83 conducted on such property where students are present, (2) a public housing project, or (3) a licensed child day care center, as defined in 84 85 section 19a-77, that is identified as a child day care center by a sign 86 posted in a conspicuous place, shall be imprisoned for a term of three 87 years, which shall not be suspended and shall be in addition and 88 consecutive to any term of imprisonment imposed for violation of 89 section 21a-277 or 21a-278. To constitute a violation of this subsection, 90 an act of transporting or possessing a controlled substance shall be 91 with intent to sell or dispense in or on, or within one thousand five 92 hundred feet of, the real property comprising (A) a public or private 93 elementary or secondary school [,] during regular school hours or the 94 hours of any school-sponsored activity conducted on such property 95 where students are present, (B) a public housing project, or (C) a 96 licensed child day care center, as defined in section 19a-77, that is 97 identified as a child day care center by a sign posted in a conspicuous 98 place. For the purposes of this subsection, "public housing project" 99 means dwelling accommodations operated as a state or federally 100 subsidized multifamily housing project by a housing authority, 101 nonprofit corporation or municipal developer, as defined in section 8-102 39, pursuant to chapter 128 or by the Connecticut Housing Authority 103 pursuant to chapter 129.

- (c) Any person who employs, hires, uses, persuades, induces, entices or coerces a person under eighteen years of age to violate section 21a-277 or 21a-278 shall be imprisoned for a term of three years, which shall not be suspended and shall be in addition and consecutive to any term of imprisonment imposed for violation of section 21a-277 or 21a-278.
- Sec. 3. Section 21a-279 of the 2012 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1*, 2012):
- 113 (a) Any person who possesses or has under his control any quantity

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of any narcotic substance, except as authorized in this chapter, for a first offense, may be imprisoned not more than seven years or be fined not more than fifty thousand dollars, or be both fined and imprisoned; and for a second offense, may be imprisoned not more than fifteen years or be fined not more than one hundred thousand dollars, or be both fined and imprisoned; and for any subsequent offense, may be imprisoned not more than twenty-five years or be fined not more than two hundred fifty thousand dollars, or be both fined and imprisoned.

- (b) Any person who possesses or has under his control any quantity of a hallucinogenic substance other than marijuana or four ounces or more of a cannabis-type substance, except as authorized in this chapter, for a first offense, may be imprisoned not more than five years or be fined not more than two thousand dollars or be both fined and imprisoned, and for a subsequent offense may be imprisoned not more than ten years or be fined not more than five thousand dollars or be both fined and imprisoned.
- (c) Any person who possesses or has under his control any quantity of any controlled substance other than a narcotic substance, or a hallucinogenic substance other than marijuana or who possesses or has under his control one-half ounce or more but less than four ounces of a cannabis-type substance, except as authorized in this chapter, (1) for a first offense, may be fined not more than one thousand dollars or be imprisoned not more than one year, or be both fined and imprisoned; and (2) for a subsequent offense, may be fined not more than three thousand dollars or be imprisoned not more than five years, or be both fined and imprisoned.
 - (d) Any person who violates subsection (a), (b) or (c) of this section in or on, or within one thousand five hundred feet of, the real property comprising (1) a public or private elementary or secondary school during regular school hours or the hours of any school-sponsored activity conducted on such property where students are present and who is not enrolled as a student in such school, or (2) a licensed child day care center, as defined in section 19a-77, that is identified as a child

day care center by a sign posted in a conspicuous place, shall be imprisoned for a term of two years, which shall not be suspended and shall be in addition and consecutive to any term of imprisonment imposed for violation of subsection (a), (b) or (c) of this section.

- (e) As an alternative to the sentences specified in subsections (a) and (b) and specified for a subsequent offense under subsection (c) of this section, the court may sentence the person to the custody of the Commissioner of Correction for an indeterminate term not to exceed three years or the maximum term specified for the offense, whichever is the lesser, and at any time within such indeterminate term and without regard to any other provision of law regarding minimum term of confinement, the Commissioner of Correction may release the convicted person so sentenced subject to such conditions as he may impose including, but not limited to, supervision by suitable authority. At any time during such indeterminate term, the Commissioner of Correction may revoke any such conditional release in his discretion for violation of the conditions imposed and return the convicted person to a correctional institution.
- (f) To the extent that it is possible, medical treatment rather than criminal sanctions shall be afforded individuals who breathe, inhale, sniff or drink the volatile substances defined in subdivision (49) of section 21a-240.
- (g) The provisions of subsections (a) to (c), inclusive, of this section shall not apply to any person (1) who in good faith, seeks medical assistance for another person who such person reasonably believes is experiencing an overdose from the ingestion, inhalation or injection of intoxicating liquor or any drug or substance, (2) for whom another person, in good faith, seeks medical assistance, reasonably believing such person is experiencing an overdose from the ingestion, inhalation or injection of intoxicating liquor or any drug or substance, or (3) who reasonably believes he or she is experiencing an overdose from the ingestion, inhalation or injection of intoxicating liquor or any drug or substance and, in good faith, seeks medical assistance for himself or

herself, if evidence of the possession or control of a controlled substance in violation of subsection (a), (b) or (c) of this section was obtained as a result of the seeking of such medical assistance. For the purposes of this subsection, "good faith" does not include seeking medical assistance during the course of the execution of an arrest warrant or search warrant or a lawful search."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sec. 501	October 1, 2012	21a-267
Sec. 2	October 1, 2012	21a-278a
Sec. 3	October 1, 2012	21a-279